

W. C. T. U. MEETING ENDS

Mrs. Kate Newton, of Carthage, Chosen Head of Organization

Carthage, Mo., Sept. 10.—The State W. C. T. U. Convention closed today after electing officers who are pledged to the proposition of "Missouri dry in 1910." More than \$2,300 was subscribed by delegates to start the fight.

Mrs. Kate Newton, of this city, heads the list of State officers and the women feel that her leadership will mean much to the cause.

Other officers are: Vice President at large, Miss Rowena Shaner, Jackson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Mary Kirkham, St. Louis; treasurer, Mrs. Lettie Hill May Campbell.

Peirce City News.

From the Journal.

Miss Bess Carey, of Monett, formerly of this city, left last week for Toledo, Ohio, where she will spend the winter studying music.

A. Kuklenski of the firm of Ruskoski & Kuklenski of Monett has sold out his interest in the blacksmith and harness shop to his partner and will move to his farm near this city.

The canning factory is running full time and is giving employment to a large number of people. During the five weeks it has been running Mr. Chamberlain has paid out \$1,054.52 for labor. The first week \$39.68 was paid out; second week, \$84.85; third week, \$195.49; fourth week, \$285.16; fifth week, \$449.34.

A petition asking for a franchise for the Springfield Electric and Gas Company was presented to the City Council at their meeting Monday night. An extra session was called for the night of the 20th, when members of the Company will be here from Springfield and a decision will be made as to whether or not further action will be taken in the matter.

Tax Levy on Railroad and Telephone Companies

The following is the tax levy in Barry county, against railroad, telegraph and telephone companies for the year 1909, for the state, county, road and school purposes:

St. L. & S. F. R. R., main line.....	\$1,760.32
St. L. & S. F. R. R., Ark. and Texas branch.....	6,448.24
M. & N. A. R. R.....	3,350.82
C. & W. R. R.....	188.15
Western Union Telegraph Co.....	391.60
Barry Co. Mutual Tel. Co.....	69.77
Mitchell Tel. Co.....	127.95
U-Need-a Tel. Co.....	3.33
Frisco R. R. property located in Monett.....	600.30
Total.....	\$13,055.28

The following is the taxes levied for municipal purposes:

MONETT

Frisco R. R.....	\$286.56
Western Union Tel. Co.....	8.70
Ozark Bell Tel. Co.....	52.70
Frisco round house, lots, etc.....	280.00

CASSVILLE

Cassville & Western R. R.....	\$12.38
Mitchell Telephone Co.....	12.37

Tulsa City Attorney Hurt In Accident

Tulsa, Okla., Sept. 9.—City Attorney C. S. Walker and his wife were seriously injured and had a narrow escape from death late last night when a street car collided with their buggy. Mr. Walker was thrown beneath the horses' feet near the car wheels and was trampled by the frightened animal, while Mrs. Walker in an attempt to jump from the vehicle was caught and thrown to the ground, the wheels passing over her body. Both are confined to their home. Mob violence was threatened by a crowd of indignant citizens.

R. B. Rogers, a Frisco conductor out of this city, is moving from 623 Eddy to Monett, Mo., where he has been transferred. The many friends of the Rogers family exceedingly regret that they are establishing a residence elsewhere.—Fort Scott (Kan) Tribune.

Verona News.

From The Advocate

Sam Frost and wife have returned home from a visit to relatives at Cassville.

Mrs. Ora Newman and son, Herschel, were shopping in Monett Wednesday afternoon.

Postal Clerk E. Young, of St. Louis, spent a few days in Verona this week with his mother and brothers.

Roy Hillhouse of Red Oak, Ok., was here this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hillhouse.

Postal Clerk Lester Browning is here today from St. Louis.

J. H. Fare left last night for Kansas City where he will remain during the winter season.

Henry Strawn and little daughter of Rogersville, are visiting relatives in Verona and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Anderson returned to their home in St. Louis Tuesday night after a visit with Verona relatives.

Tom Gordon of Cherokee City, Ark., is shaking hands with his many friends in Verona. He has been to Alton, Ill., putting machinery in a large elevator and stopped off here on his way home. He formerly lived in Verona.

ARBOR.

A large crowd attended preaching service Sunday night.

Rev. T. M. Holcomb and D. P. Arnold have gone to conference at Neosho, Mo.

Part of the sick of our community are recovering. Mrs. Albert Crossland is still very sick.

Miss Rachel Ellis left Monday for Orleans, Neb., where she is engaged to teach in the Free Methodist seminary for this year.

Sunday School as usual at the Arbor Sunday at 10 o'clock. All are invited. We have some new song books and are learning some nice songs.

ROBIN.

Duties of Citizenship

Some people take no more interest in public affairs than if they were citizens of Mars. They go to and from their places of business, eat, sleep, sell goods and die, without leaving a single impress on the community they live in, either for good or bad.

That is a poor way for a real man to act. He takes the benefits his community bestows, but refuses to render the slightest services in return. Of course, that is mean. But it is meaner yet to praise oneself for his indifference, as many do.

There are some people who put great stress on religious duty, but take no part in civic duty, as if there was a sort of chasm between them. But there is not any such chasm. Religious duty is civic duty and vice versa, and a man who sees no duty in his relation to civil government takes a mighty laggard view of his duty toward God.—Ohio State Journal.

Negro Woman Asserts She Is 114 Years Old

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 9.—When the case of Charles Spiller, James Walls, Emma Walls, et al, was before Justice Llewellyn this morning Margaret Stewart, who gave her age as 114 years and who claimed to have at one time been the property of Thomas Jefferson, was a station house as a witness in the case.

Hotel Inspection

We had the pleasure today of meeting Chas. H. Clark, of Jefferson City, deputy hotel inspector of the State of Missouri and found him to be a very pleasant gentleman. The inspection of hotels is a good thing and will result in good to the traveling and boarding public, but a graded system of fees would in our estimation be better than the one-price-to-all law now in force.

THE CALL OF THE SCHOOL

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Boy—Gee, But That School Bell Sounds Good to Me.

Meeting of Two Presidents

Why should not President Taft visit Mexico? For sixty years the two countries have been at peace with each other, and surely President Diaz has done much to promote friendliness to America among the people of Mexico. The meeting of the heads of the two republics will be a historical one, and may be the beginning of closer relations between the two countries. Should President Diaz visit the United States the people should and would show him greater honor than they have shown the ruler of any other nation.—Washington Post.

Special Train

Owing to the late arrival of passenger train No. 4 Saturday a special train was sent to Springfield at 12:30 with the party of friends who desired to attend the funeral services of the late Frisco Engineer, Wm. Hilliard. No. 4 did not arrive until after 2 o'clock, owing to delays in Texas.

Teacher Shoots His Pupil

Following an insubordination, John Buttram was shot and fatally wounded by his teacher, Lon Kelly, at the Bear Hollow school house, McDonald county, last Thursday afternoon.

Buttram, so it is said, came in very late after the afternoon recess stamping his feet and raising a disturbance. Kelly reprimanded him and told him he must stay in after school for remaining out so long.

"I won't do any such d— thing," said Buttram. "Then it's for you and the directors to settle," replied the teacher. The boy, it is claimed, would not have it this way, but advanced on Kelly, reaching for his hip pocket.

Kelly produced his revolver and fired three times, two of the shots taking effect in Buttram's abdomen. The boy lived until two o'clock Friday morning.

Kelly gave himself up to the authorities Friday afternoon, and is out on \$8,000 bond, awaiting his preliminary, which takes place tomorrow. Jake Buttram, an older brother of the deceased, is highly incensed and is said to be hunting Kelly with a gun, threatening his life.

The Buttram boy is about 16 years old and does not bear a good reputation. Kelly is of a quiet and peaceable disposition and knew he was undertaking a mammoth job when he contracted to teach the school, which is located in White Rock township, near the Arkansas line, and bears a very tough name.—Stella Record.

Through Train Service

Beginning Sunday a through train service will be established between Monett and Little Rock, Ark. A sleeper will be placed at the Ft. Smith passenger station each night so that passengers leaving Monett on the Texan at 5:55 can proceed at once from Ft. Smith to Little Rock arriving at the latter city at 7 o'clock next morning.

Thompson Accepts the Place

Jefferson City, Sept. 11.—Charles H. Thompson of Kansas City, who has been appointed private secretary to Governor Hadley, notified the governor today of his acceptance and said he would be here next week.

Go With a Rush

The demand for that wonderful Stomach, Liver and Kidney cure, Dr. King's New Life Pills—is astounding. A. H. Cox & Co. say they never saw the like, its because they never fail to cure Sour Stomach, Constipation, Indigestion, Biliousness, Jaundice, Sick Headache, Chills and Malaria. Only 25c.

Fort Smith Fire Burns Five Business Blocks

Fort Smith, Ark., Sept. 11.—Fire which started in a livery stable here today resulted in the loss of five business houses and damaged the Lyric theater. Five horses were burned. The total loss will reach \$60,000.

New Officers

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church South installed the following officers Sunday evening: Pres., Ira O. Lauderdale; 1st V. Pres., Miss Hazel Cooper; 2nd V. Pres., Miss Elizabeth Harmon; 3d V. Pres., Wesley Bradford; 4th V. Pres., Howard Gulick; Sec., Miss Geraldine Christopher; Treas., Miss Hazel Leckie; Organist, Miss Ruth Bradford; Epworth Era Agent, Osborn Brown.

SYDNEY P. HARRIS' COMPOSITIONS

We are in receipt of several vocal and instrumental selections by Sydney P. Harris. His style of writing is forceful, dainty and convincing and we can recommend his productions to lovers of good music. Among his selections are "Soulful Eyes," novellette; "Defenders of the Flag, March;" "I and my True Love Waltzes;" "Nearest and Dearest," Waltz song. They are published by the Sydney P. Harris Co., Detroit, Mich., and are for sale by music dealers.

Chas. McCracken spent Sunday at Crane.

C. M. Todd, who had been in St. Louis purchasing goods for Newman's, returned home Sunday.

W. A. Mills, of Oklahoma City, visited his parents, Capt. and Mrs. S. C. Mills, Sunday.

Miss Cogan, of St. Louis, has accepted a position as trimmer in Misses Stuber's Millinery shop.

Among those who attended the band concert at Peirce City Saturday night were Earl Wainwright, Chas. Rauch, Leo Mansfield, Fred Balden, Gladden Granger and Sherman Oney.

Miss Kate Henry who has a position in her father's office at Sapulpa, spent Sunday at home, returning to her duties Monday.

Wednesday will be pay day with the Frisco. The merchants are getting ready for the occasion by advertising their specialties.

The city is grading the approach to the newly built footbridge across south Kelly and is doing a fine job. This will be of great benefit to the south side.

Mrs. John Moses and daughter, Miss Mabel went to Joplin Monday to spend a few days visiting with relatives.

WRECK IN THE SOUTH YARDS

Fortunately No Lives Were Lost, All Employees Jumping to Safety

Friday night about midnight a freight train from the Arkansas division ran into one of the yard switch engines, damaging both engines and completely demolishing the tenders and three freight cars. Fortunately none of the employees were injured to any great extent. One of the freight brakemen slightly injured an ankle when he jumped from the car.

The engineers and firemen saw the danger in time and jumped to safety.

It is the custom of the switchmen to run the passenger coaches down on the "Wye" and turn them at midnight after the other work is completed. They were on the main line south with a coach preparatory to backing in on side track, and had usual flagman stationed, but the air on the approaching train refused to work and the train crashed into the switch engine, jamming the engines, pilots and cars together. The tracks were not badly torn up and the wreckage was soon removed.

Cook, Leaving Copenhagen, Declares He Will Prove Claim Of Pole Discovery

Copenhagen, Sept. 10.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook left Copenhagen this afternoon on the first stage of his journey homeward, apparently happy and confident—and with the cheers of a great crowd ringing in his ears. Formal farewells were exchanged between Dr. Cook and committees of the Geographical Society and the University of Copenhagen. As he departed the explorer stood alone on the high bridge of the yacht Melchior, which is taking him to Christiansand, raising his hat in response to the shouts of the spectators.

The yacht will arrive at Christiansand tomorrow at noon, where the steamship Oscar II. will be ready to sail for the United States as soon as Dr. Cook has been transferred to her dock.

Managing Director Cold of the Scandinavian-American Steamship Company, accompanied Dr. Cook. He said the Oscar II. could reach New York Monday, September 20, but that he thought it better to keep the steamer to schedule time, and arrive Tuesday the 21st.

Special Election In Jasper County

Carthage, Mo., Sept. 10.—A call for a special election October 12 was called yesterday by the county court of Jasper county. At this time a vote will be taken on a proposed \$250,000 bond issue, the money to be used to build a \$72,000 jail, expend \$100,000 on the county farm here and give Joplin \$75,000 to repair court house No. 2. The county farm will be used for an industrial home and asylum, as well as for a home for the destitute.

Uncle Ezra Says:

"A man ain't half so apt to hide his light under a bushel ez he is to hide somethin' that won't stan' the light."—Boston Herald.

Ami Cuendet reports that he and his family have canned one thousand cans of tomatoes at their home canning factory. The tomatoes canned were raised by Mr. Cuendet on a half acre of land on his farm south of Monett. Considering the unfavorable season, this is a very good showing.

A Novinger merchant is "right up to the minute." He advertises thus in a Kirksville paper: "Doctor Cook has discovered the North Pole and called on Santa Claus, whom he found very busily engaged in making toys. Doctor Cook noticed that a great many of these were being marked for—'s Racket Store.'"

Miss Mabel Dunworth, of Enid, Ok., is visiting Miss Ethel Edgar.

Mrs. M. C. Goodwin has returned home from Pittsburg, Kan.

Miss Flossie Charles is visiting friends at Carthage and Webb City. Miss Grace Fly of Purdy, visited in Monett Friday.

Bert Moore has gone to Fairland to visit friends.

Mrs. Phil Lehnard of Sapulpa, Ok., visited in Monett this week.

Miss Kittie Wells returned to her home at Tulsa, Okla., Saturday after a visit with Monett friends.

Riley Burris has been promoted from brakeman to freight conductor.

Arch Leckie has come home from Ft. Smith, Ark., to visit a short time.

Earl Aulgur has gone to Kansas City to be fitted with an artificial limb.

Mrs. Minnie Lecompt, of Cassville, visited in Monett the first of the week.

Clifford Purdy and Robt Bradford of Peirce City, visited in Monett Friday evening.

Justin Rittenhouse has returned to Oklahoma City after a visit with his mother.

Misses Ruth and Hazel Braymen left Friday night for St. Louis to visit Joe Hilliard at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora McNally, of Purdy, visited relatives here Friday.

Chas. Williams returned to Newtonia Saturday after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Williams.

Mrs. Jas. Amber and Mrs. Wm. Thompson went to Springfield Saturday to attend W. H. Hillard's funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller and little daughter returned to their home at Wichita Falls, Tex., Saturday after a visit at Monett and Carterville.

Barry County Baptist Association which met with Pleasant Hill Church September 7 had the most encouraging session ever known in its history. It continued three days.

Mr. and Mrs. Heminger and family and Mr. and Mrs. McCallan of Keifer, Okla., stopped over this morning between trains with Mrs. Ellis Jones.

The Patterson Milling Company have had electric lights installed in all parts of their mill. This was a necessary improvement as the mill now runs both day and night.

The Baptist church of this city last night extended a unanimous call to their present pastor J. S. Allen for another year. This is the third unanimous call that the church has ever extended to a minister.

Mosames Roach and Hawkins who had been attending the W. C. T. U. Convention at Carthage, stopped off Saturday, on their way home to Newberg, and visited their friend, Mrs. A. C. Cairns.

Mrs. Jones, who had been visiting her son, Dr. A. Jones, for some time, departed Saturday for Keifer, Okla., to visit her son, Dr. Ellis Jones, after which she will again return to this city for a further visit.

The people of Sapulpa are right up to the scratch. They have sent an offer of \$10,000 to Prof. Cook to come to that city and deliver a north pole lecture at some time during 1909. That is going some for a small town.

Bishop Chandler in a address to the ministers of the M. E. Church, South, at the conference at Kansas City, said: "Don't get hold of your men through your personal popularity. Get them through God and they will stick better. Don't think that you must do all things to bare of trumpet and in the bright light of popularity. It is the private things that count most in the life of a minister."

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